

The Council re-assembled at the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, the 6th February 1923, the hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR Avargal, K.C.S.I., C.I.E., President, presiding.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[*Order made by the President of the Madras Legislative Council under Standing Order No. 15—*

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table an hour before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions shall be put and answered in the following manner :—

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in alphabetical order, specify the serial numbers of his questions and make a sufficient pause to allow him or any other member a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

Appointments by recruitment and promotion.

786 Q.—Rao Bahadur T. BALAJI RAO NAYUDU: Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state with reference to G.O. No. 613, dated 16th September 1921, and G.O. No. 658, dated 15th August 1922—

(1) whether there is a single appointment in any department in which promotion is made only by selection regardless of seniority; and

(2) appointments being of two kinds: (1) by direct recruitment and (2) by promotion, whether the effect of G.O. No. 658, dated 15th August 1922, is not to counteract the effect of G.O. No. 613, dated 16th September 1921?

A.—(1) The answer is in the affirmative.

(2) The answer is in the negative.

Appointment of a village munsif in Omalur taluk.

787 Q.—Rao Sahib S. ELLAPPA CHETTIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether he has received a copy of the proceedings of a protest meeting of the non-Brahman public of Omalur held on the 4th January 1923 against the appointment of a village munsif in the Omalur taluk, Salem district; and if so, whether the Government will be pleased to state the action taken in the matter?

A.—The matter is one for which the law provides regular appeals; no action by Government is needed.

Location of Government lime-kilns.

788 Q.—Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD SADULLA BADSHA SAHIB: Will the hon. the Minister for Education (Public Works) be pleased to state whether any petition has been received from the residents on the Poonamallee High Road, Madras, requesting the Government to take action for the immediate removal of the Government lime-kilns to a less objectionable place and what orders the Government have passed on such petitions, and whether the Government have at any time considered the question of the removal of the Government kilns from their present site and whether they propose to do so at least now on sanitary grounds to a place outside the municipal limits?